

DEFEATED ARMY
NOW FLEEING
IN DISORDER

Retreat of Russians From Mukden Develops Into a Scramble to Get Away From the Japanese Who Are Hot on Their Track.

MUCH DAMAGE
IS INFLICTED

Worn Out and Completely Demoralized Kuropatkin's Forces Are Being Harassed and Whole Army May Be Cut off.

London, March 11.—Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister, made public today the following despatch from Tokio: "In the direction of Shingkin we are attacking a superior enemy who hold the heights north of Fushan. In the direction of Shaho we have expelled the enemy to the right bank of the Hun river and we are developing and attacking him east and north of Mukden since noon, March 10."

"A large number of the enemy are worn out and there is complete disorder in their retreat to the northward along the district between Mukden and the railway."

"Another detachment of Japanese which reached Poho, thirteen miles north of Mukden, the evening of March 10, is inflicting considerable damage on the retreating army."

OFFICERS' PETITION
FOR SURRENDER

Private Despatches Say That 900 Russian Officers Tell Kuropatkin That It Is of No Use to Fight More.

St. Petersburg, March 11.—Private advices from the front state that 900 officers of the Manchurian army have signed a Round Robin addressed to General Kuropatkin demanding the conclusion of hostilities, owing to the menace of famine. The troops are discouraged, as the result of the chronic failure of their efforts.

RETREAT A ROUT.

Relentless Pursuit Cuts Russian Army Into Small Divisions.

Tokio, March 11.—Latest despatches from the front indicate that the Russian retreat has become a rout. The Russians are flying northward with the Japanese following them closely. So vigorous and relentless has been the pursuit that whole divisions of the enemy have been cut into small sections.

JAPANESE CAPTURE
SUJATON STATION

Main Russian Supply Depot Taken, Including an Enormous Amount of Supplies and Arms.

With General Oku's Army, March 11.—We have, after a desperate conflict, captured Sujaton station, where the main Russian supply depot is located. We secured an enormous quantity of supplies, including 60,000 rifles and cartridges.

CONCEALING IT FROM THE PEOPLE
Enormity of Russian Disaster Is Hidden as Much as Possible.

St. Petersburg, March 11.—Every effort is being made by the officials to conceal the enormity of the Russian disaster in Manchuria, from the people. The general public is not yet aware of General Kuropatkin's serious position. The officials say that Kuropatkin may remain for a long time at Tieling, or may continue direct to Harbin, which offers better advantages for defending himself and for securing reinforcements.

STILL DEMANDS WAR.

Russian Newspaper Calls For Its Continuance In Spite of Defeat.

St. Petersburg, March 11.—The Russ in an editorial article this morning, strikes a stirring note, not minimizing the extent of the defeat in Manchuria but bidding the people not despair. The

article contains no word of peace, its whole thought being uncompromising prosecution of the war, though it is realized that this means months of preparation for another battle, and that perhaps the Pass may follow Mukden. It does not even demand General Kuropatkin's removal but says it is first necessary to determine whether Russia has a better general. While holding up the hands of the government in regard to the continuation of the war the Russ solemnly warns it of the necessity of internal reforms.

EVIDENCES OF COUNTERFEITING.

Two Brothers Arrested Last Night in Binghamton, N. Y.

Binghamton, N. Y., March 11.—Lorenzo and Robert Heemanns, brothers, and said to be members of the famous gang of Towanda, Pa., were arrested in this city last night on the charge of counterfeiting.

Last evening Robert passed a counterfeit nickel. When arrested he admitted it, and said that Lorenzo gave it to him.

The officers went to Lorenzo's house and arrested him. He denied all knowledge of counterfeiting. In an up stairs room the officers found a small crucible, half full of metal that had been melted, a wooden mold base in which a changeable plaster of paris mold could be placed so as to make coins of any size.

18th DEGREE EXEMPLIFIED.

Scottish Rite Masons Met at Burlington Last Evening.

Burlington, March 11.—Scottish Rite Masons from various parts of the state gathered last night at the Temple to witness the exemplification of the 18th degree, in full ceremonial form. Walter E. Ranger, 33d degree, presided and the work was carried out in a most beautiful and impressive manner. After the chapter was opened the visitors who had attained the 33d degree were received. The work of the degree following. At the close of the work brief remarks were made by C. H. Heaton of Montpelier, J. E. Thompson of Rutland, P. D. Ballou of Chelsea, J. A. DeBoer of Montpelier, J. H. Goulding of Wilmington and D. N. Nicholson, H. S. Peck, H. H. Ross, and Sayles Nichols of this city.

ELLIS DENIES IT.

Head of Northfield Granite company Says He Will Stay in Northfield.

Northfield, March 11.—The announcement that the E. B. Ellis Granite company will move its plant from Northfield to Bethel because this town voted for license Tuesday, is denied. The attention of President E. B. Ellis was called to the matter and he said that he had no intention of moving his plant from Northfield. Mr. Ellis is one of Northfield's leading citizens and is personally deeply interested in the welfare of the town. The large granite cutting industry, of which he is at the head, will continue in Northfield.

PROUTY SPOKE.

Interstate Commerce Commission in Boston Last Night.

Boston, March 11.—The President's railroad policy was the general subject of discussion at a dinner of the Economic club of Boston last night. The principal speakers were Judge Peter S. Grosscup of Chicago, President David Willcox of the Delaware & Hudson River Railroad company and Interstate Commerce Commissioner Charles A. Prouty. Each commented at length upon President Roosevelt's views regarding the regulation of rates.

NOT TURNED DOWN.

N. W. Fisk Thinks That Seine Fishing May Yet Be Stopped.

Burlington, March 11.—N. W. Fisk, a special commissioner who here today and expressed the opinion that President Roosevelt who appealed to the Canadian government at Montreal to prevent seine fishing in Missisquoi Bay on Lake Champlain, has not been turned down. Mr. Fisk has been invited to meet Prefontaine of Ottawa next week to consider the matter.

HOTEL MAN ARRESTED.

James F. Kelly of Rutland Charged With Selling Liquor.

Rutland, March 11.—James F. Kelly, one of the proprietors of the Banquet House in this city, was arrested yesterday and taken before City Judge Willis M. Ross on the charge of selling liquor illegally. He pleaded not guilty. Kelly was released after furnishing \$100 bail.

WORLD CHAMPION WON.

Frank Gotch, the Wrestler, Defeated Jim Parr Last Night.

Utica, N. Y., March 11.—Frank Gotch, champion wrestler of the world, won two straight falls from Jim Parr, English champion, before a large audience last night. Parr, however, has the distinction of staying with Gotch longer than any man since the world's champion. The first fall was secured in thirty and one-half minutes, the second in twenty-one and one-half, a total of 52, and this is six minutes better than Parr's record with Gotch in New York.

CAN'T GET
OLD PLACES

New York Electric Railroad Strikers Cut Out

BY THE INTERBOROUGH CO.

Out of 2,000 Old Workmen Less Than 200 Received Places — Others Must Wait Their Turns at Bottom of the List.

New York, March 11.—Further improvement was noted today in the movement of trains on all lines of the Interborough Rapid Transit company. Nearly 2,000 strikers have applied for work, but less than 200 have been given their positions back.

The company has now determined to enforce its 40 years age limit in dealing with the strikers who seek their old jobs. This will bar out nearly 60 per cent of the motormen. Many of the men are looking for other work. The employees who did not go out on strike will be rewarded with two weeks' extra pay. Some 2,000 employees remained with the company.

Two hundred strike breakers arrived yesterday during the afternoon from Scranton and Wilkesbarre.

It was said at the company's offices that Messrs. Jencks and Pepper had sought an interview with Mr. Hodley, but had not succeeded. Mr. Jencks when seen said he had not received a telegram from Mr. Stone in Cleveland. Of the situation he said:

"The locomotive engineers went into the strike knowing that the national body would not support them. It is an independent strike, and is being carried on in an independent way. It makes no difference what the national body thinks of what action they take. We are carrying on the strike, which is entirely on local matters, and we will fight to a finish."

The Interborough company decided to give to all employees who remained loyal during the strike two weeks' extra pay.

A number of arrests were made during the day yesterday, the culprits being chiefly boys, for interfering with the running of cars by cutting bell cords and intimidating the strike breakers.

COSTLY DECISION.

Government Must Refund \$5,000,000 to Sugar Company.

New York, March 11.—Judge Wheeler in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday handed down an opinion which, if finally sustained by the United States Court of Appeals, will cost the government the sum of \$5,000,000. This money the government will have to refund to the American Sugar Refining Company for duties paid to it on raw sugars imported from Cuba in 1903 and upon which the company contended a reduction of 20 per cent should have been allowed under the then existing treaty.

In his opinion Judge Wheeler decides that as the ratification of the Cuban treaty went into effect while the case was before the board of appraisers, the importers are entitled to the 20 per cent reduction.

VERMONT SCHOOL WON.

Defeated Claremont, N. H., High School in Forensic Contest.

Claremont, N. H., March 11.—A joint debate between the pupils of Stevens high school and the Bellows Falls high school took place in the school hall last evening, a large number being present to listen to the arguments, which proved very interesting, the subject being, "Resolved, That expansion is for the best interests of the United States." Stevens high taking the affirmative and Bellows Falls the negative. The debaters were: Negative, Bellows Falls, Guy Powers, Ernest Bowman, Eugene Gray; affirmative, Stevens high school, John Brooks, George Brooks, Carl Dole. The judges were Principal E. M. Roscoe, Springfield, Vt.; Judge Williams, Bellows Falls, Vt.; C. L. Powers, Claremont. The debate was decided in favor of the negative.

HEAD OF FIRM SHOT.

Killed by a Man Who Had Lost \$23,000 by Firm's Failure.

Wichita, Kan., March 11.—J. C. Casey, head of the Casey Wholesale Mercantile company, was shot through the head and instantly killed by James Oliver yesterday. Oliver lost \$23,000 in the failure of the Casey & Garst Mercantile company a few months ago and the misfortune preyed on his mind. He demanded his money when the firm reorganized and yesterday while Casey was seated at his desk Oliver slipped up behind him and fired three times without warning. Oliver walked to police headquarters and gave himself up.

MADE A NEW RECORD.

John Conboy Put Up a Total of 158 at Candlepin Bowling.

Manchester, N. H., March 11.—What is believed to be the New Hampshire state record for a single string in candlepins, was made by John Conboy, manager of Gately & Co.'s store, on the Kennard bowling alleys of which D. A. Gallagher is proprietor. Mr. Conboy made a record of 158 in the contest for the handsome meerschaum pipe which is offered by Mr. Gallagher to the person rolling the highest string.

NOW HELD
WITHOUT BAIL

Fred Johnson Brought into Court Yesterday.

HE OFFERED NO DEFENSE

Charge Against Him Is Murder in the First Degree—Seven Witnesses Were Brought Against Him at Hearing.

Bennington, March 11.—Fred Johnson, charged with the murder of his brother, Jay Johnson, at South Londonderry, February 24, was given a hearing before Justice M. R. Swift at Bondville yesterday and at the close of the hearing he was held for murder in the first degree without bail.

Seven witnesses were examined for the state and their evidence tended to show that the brothers had quarreled the day before and that on the day of the murder Fred Johnson was leaving his father's house when he was followed by his brother, Jay, and when they met that Fred shot him twice.

The most important evidence for the state was that given by the two physicians who performed an autopsy on Jay Johnson's body, Dr. C. S. Pellington of South Londonderry and Dr. S. B. Brigham of Jamaica. They testified that they found two bullet wounds on the body. One entered in the lower part of the back, and, glancing, went across the back under the skin. The other bullet entered the back through the shoulder blade and went nearly through the lung. This will be one of the state's strong points in refuting the claim of self defense made by the respondent.

There was no evidence for the defense. Attorney General Fitts and State's Attorney Bailey appeared for the state. The respondent's attorneys were F. C. Archibald of Manchester, J. L. Martin of Brattleboro and A. E. Cudworth of South Londonderry.

TRAINS IN DRIFT.

Caused Early Morning Schedule to Be Knocked Out Today.

The early morning trains on the Central Vermont R. R. were quite late today owing to the line being blocked by snow near St. John's, N. B. The blockade was started by a freight train becoming stalled in a drift. Three engines that went after the train got into the same fix and that caused all other trains to be delayed.

On one of the trains was the brother of Mrs. A. H. Lewis, who died in this city. Somewhere between this place and St. John's his train passed the northbound train which carried the remains of Mrs. Lewis which were accompanied by Dr. Lewis.

A BROKEN WATER MAIN.

Causes Much Trouble in the Montpelier Water Department.

Montpelier, March 11.—The water department is having a hard time with a water main on Winoski street. All Thursday night and yesterday, men were busy digging it up. The repair had no sooner been made than another break on the same main was discovered. As a result one department in the whole plant is running on a seven-hour schedule.

NOT ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Missouri Murderer Granted a Reprieve by Gov. Folk.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 11.—Governor Folk yesterday granted a respite of 30 days to Wm. Randolph, convicted of the murder of Detective Chas. Schumacher at Union, Mo. Randolph was sentenced to be hanged on March 17, and the petition for the respite was signed by large numbers of Irish Catholics, who claimed that an execution in St. Louis on the morning of St. Patrick's day would cast a gloom over the celebration planned in honor of Ireland's patron saint.

ASSAULTER FINED.

Rutland Man Hit Another Whom He Did Not Know.

Rutland, March 11.—John Sullivan who deliberately knocked Michael Holland, a machinist, down on the street here Monday, was arrested and fined \$10 and costs, in city court this morning. He paid.

Sullivan approached Holland and struck him without the exchange of any words. They were total strangers to each other.

Died at Age of 91 Years.

Burlington, March 11.—William Durham, one of the oldest residents of the city, died last evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. H. Niles of North street, at the age of 91 years. Mr. Durham had been in failing health for the greater part of the winter, death being due to old age. The funeral arrangements were not completed last evening. Mr. Durham was an Englishman by birth and was at one time a soldier in the British army. He saw active service in several campaigns. Many years ago he came to America and settled in Canada.

A FAKE FUNERAL.

Church and Minister Secured But Services Were Not Held.

A local minister is endeavoring to solve a mystery which was put up to him yesterday afternoon by a young lady who appeared at his house and with tears in her eyes asked him for the use of his church and himself as clergyman to officiate at the funeral of her little girl. The hour for the funeral was set at 10 o'clock this forenoon. The funeral was not held. Neither did the young lady put in an appearance. What is more, the clergyman has received no word from the young lady. So he is at a loss to understand the situation.

When making the application the young lady stated that there would not be more than three or four persons at the funeral, and the clergyman asked if she did not have friends here, at whose house the services could be held. No, the young lady had no friends where the funeral might be held, and the clergyman acceded to her request. Then he became interested in the other arrangements and asked where the burial was to be. Her reply was: "In Hope cemetery." On being questioned further the young lady said she had not secured a lot. When she left the minister's house she started for the section of the cemetery to secure a lot. After thinking it over the minister called up the sexton. No lot had been secured by a young lady for the burial of her child, and no application had been made. This appeared peculiar to the minister, who found further than no burial permit had been made out.

The church and the minister were ready for the funeral this morning at the appointed hour, but no one put in an appearance.

RESERVES NEEDED HELP.

Young Men's Basketball Team Defeated Them Easily.

The Young Men's club basketball team defeated the Norwich University reserves in the local armory last evening by the score of 36 to 8.

The home team has acquired almost a perfect system of passing and last evening they hardly made an error in it. The Norwich boys were so badly outclassed that they had no courage after the Young Men's club ran up a score of 12 to 0 in the first period.

Burr played almost the whole game for the visitors. The line up:

NORWICH RESERVES. Y. M. C. Burr, F. L., Smith, C. L., Summers, Buchanan, Tinker, C. L., Rust, Blanchard, C. L., Sherwin, Barnett, L. G., Will.

Referee, Gauthier; umpire, Williams. Baskets from the floor, Summers 3, Buchanan, Rust 2, Will, Sherwin, Smith 4, Burr 2, Tinker 2. Score 36 to 8. Time, three 15 minute periods.

CO. D WON.

St. Johnsbury Militiamen Defeated University of Vermont Team.

St. Johnsbury, March 11.—Company D outclassed the University of Vermont at basketball here last night, winning by the score of 42 to 20. The game was fast and spirited.

The line up:

VERMONT. Buckley, F. L., Thomas, Smythe, L. F., Newton, Wright, C. L., Peck, McGovern, C. L., Skinner, Carr, L. G., Barlow.

Goals from floor, McGovern 7, Buckley 6, Barlow 3, Smythe 2, Peck 1, Thomas 1; goals on fouls, McGovern 12, Barlow 10; referee, Appleton; umpire, Gunn; scorer, Salloway, time, three 15-minute periods.

O'LEARYS TOOK GAME.

Defeated Hot Air Bowlers at Montpelier Last Evening.

The O'Learys went to Montpelier last evening and played off a postponed game with the Hot Airs, the match resulting in a victory for the O'Learys who took two out of three strings.

The score:

O'LEARYS. Trenoweth 148 173 148—479
Noonan 149 169 130—448
Davidson 169 116 166—451
Charbonneau 133 127 169—429
Byrnes 157 154 176—487
756 730 789—2294

HOT AIRS. Bernard 121 174 166—461
Lawrence 144 143 157—444
Brown 138 164 159—461
E. Bascomb 140 140 140—420
Yett 174 134—308
A. Bascomb 159 159 132—450
702 819 748—2269

COURT TAKES RECESS.

A Marshfield and a Barre Case Disposed of Yesterday.

Montpelier, March 11.—County court took a recess yesterday afternoon after E. D. Martin had been declared not guilty of the charge of open and gross lewdness, and Nicholas Sara of Barre had pleaded guilty to breach of the peace. Sentence was deferred.

The case of state vs. Martin went to the jury yesterday afternoon after the charge of the court was delivered by Judge Munson. The arguments were begun Thursday afternoon by R. A. Hoar on behalf of the state, and yesterday R. E. Bailey and J. P. Lamson spoke for the respondent and State's Attorney Jackson closed for the state. Immediately following the close of the Martin case state vs. Nicholas Sara was taken up and a jury was empaneled at once. Sara is charged with breach of the peace in Barre some months ago and was convicted in Barre city court after two trials by jury at which disagreements were the only results. State's Attorney Jackson and H. W. Scott are prosecuting and M. M. Gordon defending.

COMMITTEES
ARE NAMED

Sowden Heads Finance, McKenzie Streets.

ADIE THE FIRE COMMITTEE

And Burke the Water Committee—City Attorney Instructed to Prosecute Violations of City Ordinances.

A special meeting of the city council was held last evening with all members present.

The city engineer was instructed to draw a plan of the piece of land to be sold to the Congregational church, and have markers set, so that a deed could be drawn.

A communication from the city attorney stated the claim of the Central Vermont Railway Co. for freight on certain liquors taken in a raid could not be collected from the city. In his opinion the parties who authorized the raid were liable.

The committee on legislation reported favorably on the city ordinance No. 17, which relates to the establishment of a paid city fire department, and the same was adopted.

A resolution giving C. Abatti permission to connect with the Orange county telephone line was granted for one year at a charge of \$1.

It was reported that a private telephone line from the fire station to the chief engineer's house and store would cost \$35. Referred to the fire committee.

A copy of a proposed contract with J. C. Crowley for 250 street signs at 50 cents each was read and ordered executed, and a copy of a proposed lease of the old fire station to G. A. Wilkinson for five years at \$20 a month was read and ordered executed.

The matter of the deed of the library lot came up and was voted that it be referred to the library committee and city attorney to meet an equal number from the trustees of the Aldrich library fund and their attorney and see if they cannot agree on a deed satisfactory to the city and trustees, and if they cannot, to place it in the hands of a reputable outside attorney to draw up one that will conserve all the city's interests and be satisfactory to the trustees.

The city attorney was instructed to institute proceedings against Comoli & Co. and A. M. Morrison for violations of the city ordinances. The first is charged with putting stones clogs in the stream and the latter with throwing the manure from his stable into the river. The council adjourned and a meeting of the board of aldermen was called. Mayor Barclay submitted his committee for the year as follows:

Legislation—Sowden, Milne, McKenzie, Finance—Sowden, Burke, Milne, Streets—McKenzie, Adie, Burke, Water—Burke, Albisetti, Milne, Fire—Adie, McKenzie, Milne, Lights—McKenzie, Albisetti, Burke, Police—Albisetti, Milne, Sowden, Property—Milne, Burke, Adie, Cemeteries—Burke, Albisetti, Sowden, Health—Albisetti, Sowden, Adie, License—Sowden, McKenzie, Milne, Library—McKenzie, Milne, Burke, Supplies—McKenzie, Adie, Albisetti, Printing—Burke, Albisetti, Sowden, Elections—Adie, McKenzie, Burke, Charity—Albisetti, Adie, Milne.

REMEMBERED BY TEACHERS.

Principal O. D. Mathewson Has a Birthday.

As a member of the committee of the Sunday Evening club having in charge the arrangements for last evening's address by Professor Howard of Middlebury, Principal O. D. Mathewson was engaged at the church until after 10 o'clock. When he and Mrs. Mathewson returned to their home he discovered that the house had been entered during their absence. Nothing had been taken, but instead there was a fine, new, leather-upholstered easy chair in his library, and on the library table a large bouquet of roses and carnations, gifts from the teachers in the Barre schools to him on his birthday.

The chair is a handsome one, and is greatly appreciated.

A PAIR OF PURITANS.

Interesting Address by Prof. Howard of Middlebury.

"A Pair of Puritans," or more definitely, Governor John and Margaret Winthrop, was the subject of an interesting address given by Prof. Walter E. Howard of Middlebury before the Men's Sunday Evening club of the Congregational church last evening. Prof. Howard's address was strong in the argument that the Puritans were not such a gloomy lot as we have been led to believe by many historians, and he related many anecdotes to prove the contrary. The address was interesting and instructive and was listened to with the closest attention from beginning to end. A social hour followed the address.

BAIL FOR BAIRD.

Employer Goes on Bond for His Appearance.

Fred Baird, who was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of larceny from Principle & Averill's, was taken into county court and bail fixed at \$1,000, which was furnished by Eugene Prindle.